

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
MARSHALL DIVISION**

LARGE AUDIENCE DISPLAY  
SYSTEMS LLC,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Civil Action No. 2:09-CV-00356

TENNMAN PRODUCTIONS, LLC,  
JUSTIN TIMBERLAKE,  
LOS ANGELES LAKERS, INC.,  
BRITNEY TOURING, INC., and  
BRITNEY SPEARS,

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

Defendants.

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**PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND ITS ORIGINAL  
COMPLAINT AND TO JOIN STEVE DIXON AND MUSIC TOUR  
MANAGEMENT, INC. AS ADDITIONAL DEFENDANTS**

TO THE HONORABLE T. JOHN WARD:

Plaintiff LARGE AUDIENCE DISPLAY SYSTEMS LLC (hereafter sometimes "LADS" or "Plaintiff"), files Motion for Leave to Amend its Original Complaint and to Join Steve Dixon and Music Tour Management, Inc. as Additional Defendants, and would respectfully show the Court as follows:

Pursuant to FED R. Civ. P. 15(a)(2), without limitation, Plaintiff requests leave to amend its Original Complaint.

On March 12, 2010, the original Defendants in this suit filed their Joint Motion to Transfer Venue to the Central District of California ("Motion to Transfer Venue"). In their Motion to Transfer Venue, Defendants set forth evidence demonstrating that Steve Dixon participated in the

patent infringement alleged by Plaintiff against Tennman Productions, LLC, Justin Timberlake, Britney Touring, Inc. and Britney Spears. Through independent research, Plaintiff has also learned that Steve Dixon participated in this alleged infringement with and/or through his business, Music Tour Management, Inc.

Plaintiff was not aware of the alleged infringing conduct by Steve Dixon or Music Tour Management, Inc. prior to the filing of Plaintiff's Original Complaint. Plaintiff therefore seeks leave to amend its Original Complaint and to join Steve Dixon and Music Tour Management, Inc. as defendants. A copy of the proposed amended pleading is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**.

This case is still in its very early stages and no scheduling conference has been held yet. Granting leave would cause no undue prejudice to Defendants, and leave is not sought for purposes of delay or for any other improper purpose. *See Engstrom v. First Nat'l Bank*, 47 F.3d 1459, 1464 (5th Cir. 1995). Plaintiff has been diligent in securing the relief sought herein and amendment of its Original Complaint and the joinder of Steve Dixon and Music Tour Management, Inc. are necessary for proper adjudication of the claims in this case.

A court should freely give leave to amend when justice requires. FED R. CIV. P. 15(a)(2). Here, justice clearly requires that such leave be granted.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Plaintiff respectfully requests that the Court grant this Motion, allow Plaintiff to amend its Original Complaint and join Steve Dixon and Music Tour Management, Inc. as additional defendants, and that the Court grant Plaintiff any and all other relief to which Plaintiff may be justly entitled.

Respectfully Submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE**

I have complied with the meet and confer requirement in Local Rule CV-7(h), and counsel for Defendants have advised me that this Motion is opposed by Defendants. On both April 29, 2010 and April 30, 2010 I spoke by telephone regarding this matter with Charles Ainsworth of Parker, Bunt & Ainsworth, P.C. Mr. Ainsworth stated he spoke on behalf of all of the Defendants in stating that Defendants opposed this Motion. However, I also corresponded by email on April 29-30, 2010 regarding this matter with Rod Berman of Jeffer, Mangels, Butler & Marmaro, LLP, and Andrew Langsam of Pryor Cashman LLP. Both Mr. Berman and Mr. Langsam were somewhat inconsistent with the representation of their co-counsel Mr. Ainsworth in that they stated they would oppose this Motion unless Plaintiff agreed to withdraw its opposition to Defendants' Joint Motion to Transfer Venue to the Central District of California and if Plaintiff would first submit Defendants with a copy of the proposed amended complaint. Because Plaintiff is unwilling to withdraw its opposition to Defendants' Joint Motion to Transfer Venue to the Central District of California, and because Mr. Ainsworth had already informed me that all Defendants oppose this Motion, this matter is at an impasse and intervention by the Court is therefore required in order to resolve this issue.

/s/ Michael G. Burk  
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2010, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system and, pursuant to Local Rule CV-5(a)(3), all counsel of record who are deemed to have consented to electronic service in this case have therefore been served on that date with a copy of the foregoing.

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